

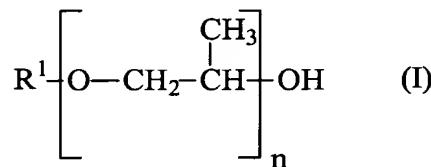
AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Claims 1-13 (Canceled):

Claim 14 (Currently Amended): A method of improving the intake system cleaning effect of a fuel composition for internal combustion engines, the method consisting of comprising:

(a) providing the fuel composition with an effective amount of (i) a propoxylate additive of formula I



wherein

n is an integer of from 10 to 20 14-17, and

R^1 is straight-chain or branched C_8-C_{18} -alkyl or C_8-C_{18} -alkenyl; or

(b) providing the fuel composition with an effective amount of (i) a propoxylate additive of formula I and with (ii) at least one detergent additive, selected from a polyalkylamine additive of the formula II



where R^2 is a straight-chain or branched polyalkyl radical having a number average molecular weight of from about 500 to about 5000.

Claim 15 (Canceled):

Claim 16 (Currently Amended): ~~A fuel composition~~ The method as claimed in claim [[3]] 14, which wherein in said propoxylate additive of formula I, comprises at least one additive of the formula I, where n is the an integer of 15 and R¹ is straight-chain or branched C₁₃-alkyl.

Claim 17 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 14 fuel composition of Claim 1, wherein n in formula I is 15.

Claim 18 (Canceled):

Claim 19 (New): The method as claimed in claim 14, in which the propoxylate of formula I is added in an amount of from 50 to 5000 mg/kg of fuel.

Claim 20 (New): The method as claimed in claim 14, wherein the additives i) and ii) are used in a total amount of from about 100 to about 10000 mg/kg of fuel.

Claim 21 (New): The method as claimed in claim 14, wherein the additives i) and ii) are used in a molar ratio of from about 1:10 to about 10:1.

Claim 22 (New): The method as claimed in claim 14, wherein in said polyalkylamine additive of the formula II, R² is a radical derived from identical or different C₂-C₃₀-alkenes.

Claim 23 (New): The method as claimed in claim 14, wherein said additive of formula II is at least one polyisobutlenamine having a number average molecular weight of from 800 to 1500.

Claim 24 (New): The method as claimed in claim 14, wherein in said propoxylate additive of formula I, R¹ is straight-chain or branched C₁₃-alkyl.

BASIS FOR THE AMENDMENT

Claims 1-13 have been canceled.

The amendment of Claim 14 is supported by Claims 15, 3 and 1.

New Claim 19 is supported by Claim 2.

New Claim 20 is supported by Claim 4.

New Claim 21 is supported by Claim 6.

New Claim 22 is supported by Claim 7.

New Claim 23 is supported by Claim 8.

New Claim 24 is supported by Claim 16.

No new matter is believed to have been added by entry of this amendment. Entry and favorable reconsideration are respectfully requested.

Upon entry of this amendment Claims 14-24 will now be active in this application.